

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2385 - SB 2979

February 27, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Department of Health to enter any property where methamphetamine was manufactured to inspect and test to determine if the property is safe for human use. The department is to promulgate rules regarding property inspection, testing and quarantine. Quarantined property would retain that status until the department determines that it is safe for human use. The department can delegate authority to any law enforcement agency to post signs the property is under quarantine. As part of a sentence for the offense of manufacturing methamphetamine, the court would require the offender to make restitution to the department for the costs incurred in the inspection, testing and quarantine.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$675,700 Recurring
\$375,700 One-Time
Increase State Revenues - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- The Department of Health will need nine additional positions and related costs to create the program.
- Staff will travel to over 1,000 local methamphetamine lab sites each year to test both before and after cleanup to determine the quarantine status.
- The program will be required to document, report and maintain an information system on exposure sites, cleanup status and other data.
- The department will not be responsible for actual cleanup expense.
- Any restitution from offenders will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director